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Applicants : Masaaki IKEDA, *et al.*
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

The following remarks are responsive to the Final Office Action mailed July 9, 2008 ("Office Action"), in the above-identified application.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully petition for a three-month extension of time within which to submit a response, thereby extending the period within which to file a response up to and including January 9, 2009. A Notice of Appeal is being filed concurrently with this response.

Please charge **Deposit Account No. 50-0206** in the amount of \$1,110.00 to cover the extension of time fee.¹ It is believed that no other fees are required for entry of this response, or to keep the application pending, but should any fees be necessary, the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

¹ Authorization to charge the same deposit account for the Notice of Appeal fee is provided in the Notice of Appeal.